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In re Application of:)	
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed non-English documents are also attached.

For the concise explanation of relevance of non-English documents JP 9-251524, JP 2000-101671, JP 8-263622 and JP 7-21344, the Examiner is respectfully referred to the respective English abstracts attached thereto.

The cited non-English documents were brought to the Applicant's attention in the attached foreign Official Communication, issued in a Japanese counterpart to the present application.

STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)

Each item of information in this information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing date of this Statement.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner, and that an initialed copy of the attached Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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